



St Agatha's Parish Cranbourne



PlenaryCouncil2020
'Listen to what the Spirit is saying...'

The Ascension of the Lord

**Year A
24th May 2020**

ST. AGATHA'S PARISH INFORMATION

Church: 129 Sladen Street, Cranbourne

Presbytery: 131 Sladen Street, Cranbourne

Parish Office: 1 Scott Street, PO Box 95,
Cranbourne 3977

Due to COVID19 The Parish Office will be
closed to visitors:

Office Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday &
Friday 8.30am to 3.00pm

[Closed for lunch 12.30pm - 1.00pm]

☎ 5996 1985 Fax: 5996 1992

Email: parishoffice@stagathas.org.au

Website: www.stagathas.org.au

Parish Priest: Rev. Fr Joseph Abutu

Assistant Priest: Rev. Fr Stanly Devasia

Sisters of the Nativity: Sr. Mary Olofu,
Sr. Faustina Ede & Sr. Victoria Orinya
Sr. Julie Ogbole [St Thomas the Apostle Parish]

Parish Safe Guarding Officers:

Leonard Foo & Loretta Chin ☎ 5996 1985

Email: cranbourne.safety@cdsale.org.au

Parish Secretaries: Sue Ryan & Tina Dam

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St Agatha's Primary School

3 Scott Street, Cranbourne

☎ 5996 2724

Principal: Mr Terry Cahill

St Therese's Primary School

131 Endeavour Drive

Cranbourne North

☎ 5996 7525

Principal: Mrs Michelle Bruitzman

St Peter's Secondary College

Cranbourne Campus - Navarre Drive Cranbourne West

Clyde North Campus - 55 MacKillop Way Clyde Nth

☎ 5990 7777

ST. AGATHA'S PARISH MASS TIMES

Saturday: 6.00pm

Sunday: 7.30am, 9.00am, 10.45am & 6.00pm

Live Streamed

Saturday 6.00pm & Sunday 9.00am

Monday to Saturday: 9.30am

Please follow the link for YouTube:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCd9moZmnAUIrOw-c9jn03Cg>

Facebook Live:

<https://www.facebook.com/StAgathasCP/>

Weekday Mass Times

Monday: 9.30am

Tuesday: 9.30am Live Streamed & 6.30pm

Wednesday: 9.30am Live Streamed & 6.30pm

Thursday: 9.30am Live Streamed & 6.30pm

Friday: 9.30am Live Streamed & 6.30pm

Saturday: 9.30am Live Streamed

Reconciliation/Confession

Mass for Vocations

Saturdays 9.30am

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Friday: 10.00am - 11.00am

Saturday: 10.00am - 11.00am

Adoration Chapel:

Healing Mass 1st Sunday of the Month at 6.00pm

First Saturday Mass at 9.30am

In Reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

First Friday Mass

Mass for the Unborn: 1st Friday of the Month 9.30am

Holy Hour for the Unborn

Baptisms

Postponed until further notice.

Baptism Information Session Postponed.

Marriages 6 months' notice requested

PARISH NEWS

Dear Parishioners, I wish to thank you for your continued prayers and support over the past few months, during these trying times.

I would also like to thank all those who, though not registered members of our parish, join us as one to participate in our livestream Masses. Thank you for contacting the parish, it has been very encouraging to hear all the very positive feedback.

Over the past week with the easing of the lockdown restriction we are able to celebrate two Masses every day for at least 10 worshippers at each Mass and an additional 10 worshippers in the parish hall. Weekends Saturday 6.00pm, Sunday 7.30am, 9.00am, 10.45am & 6.00pm and Weekdays at 9.30am with an extra weekday Mass at 6.30pm for two more weeks. With strict compliance to the government restrictions, you will need to register your attendance by contacting the parish office on 5996 1985.

This week the church will be opened for private prayer between 10.30am to 12.30pm and 1.30pm to 4.00pm Tuesday to Friday. During this time, a parish volunteer or Sr Victoria will be present in the church as door keeper to register your details.

May I conclude with the warning of Pope Francis, Faith via media consumption is "not the Church". The Pope reminds us that the Church is always with the people and the sacraments.

Pope Francis said the forced isolation devised to stop the pandemic was presenting the danger of people living the faith only for themselves — detached from the sacraments, the Church and the people of God.

Online Masses and spiritual communion do not represent the Church, he said in his homily at his morning Mass in the chapel of his residence on 17 April. "This is the Church in a difficult situation that the Lord is allowing, but the ideal of the Church is always with the people and with the sacraments — always," Pope Francis said.

<https://www.catholicfocus.in/pope-francis-demands-life-of-faith-through-media/>

May God Bless you, Fr Joseph.

BISHOP PATRICK INSTALLATION AS ARCHBISHOP OF ADELAIDE will be live streamed on Monday, May 25 at 10.30am (South Australian time) which is 11am Victorian time. The link will also be available on the Diocese Facebook page and Diocesan Website. Please follow this link <https://youtu.be/WaG12a-tCw4>

We continue to keep Bishop Patrick in our Prayers as he prepares for his instalment as Archbishop of Adelaide this Monday.

O God, the giver of all good things,

We bless and thank you for Archbishop-elect Patrick, for the five years of his ministry and servant leadership among us as our Bishop in the Diocese of Sale.

We thank you for the example of goodness that he has been to us and by which we have been encouraged and inspired in our journey of discipleship of your Son, Jesus.

May you Holy Spirit continue to grace him with the gifts of wisdom and strength, gentleness and compassion.

May he be welcomed joyfully into the Archdiocese of Adelaide, now entrusted to his care and leadership.

May you continue to guide him and bless him all the days of his life.

We ask this through your Son Jesus Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, One God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help – Pray for us

St Mary of the Cross Mackillop – Pray for us

FORMED

THE CATHOLIC FAITH.
ON DEMAND.

A Netflix for Catholics, free for all parishioners! Collect a flyer, from the foyer, on how to join and logon with the parish code.

2QKKNB Every week, Formed highlight different content.

This week: Forgiven – For children how to make a great confession.

<https://watch.formed.org/videos/for-children-how-to-make-a-great-confession>

LECTOR & EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS: THANK YOU to all those who have volunteered for these ministries. Rosters have been emailed out this week till the end of June.

MASS OFFERINGS: At your request, a Mass can be offered for your intention. This can only be arranged through telephoning the Parish Office on 5996 1985.

THE PARISH OFFICE IS CLOSED and staff will be working remotely from home, all calls and emails will be answered. Mon, Tue & Thurs Fri 8.30am to 3.00pm.

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It is free for parishioners to use. If you have not already registered, please use our parish code Our Parish Code **2QKKNB** <https://stagathas.org.au/item/21-formed-gift-subscription.html>

KARDIA FORMATION: is offering 6 day Stay At Home Retreat or four-week gospel retreat in daily life all via Zoom. Joy, Light, Suffering, Revelation. Open to women and men during the time of COVID-19. The retreat involves seven one-hour sessions of prayer per week, weekly small group sharing and two individual spiritual direction sessions. Although the retreat focusses on the relationship between Mary and Jesus, it is primarily a focus on a love relationship between two people. The meditations, prayer and poetry are based on imaginative gospel contemplation. They invite you to explore your own experiences of human relationships. The cost of the retreat is AUS \$295.00, (plus \$20 for p&h if overseas). This cost includes the book: marburg, marlene. *an ordinary woman* (2nd edition). Kardia Formation P/L is restricting the number of places for this retreat. Please apply early so that we can send *an ordinary woman* text to you before the retreat begins. No PDFs available. Contact bernadette.miles@kardia.com.au

COMBINED PARISHES RAFFLE: Due to the current restrictions imposed by the Victorian Government because of the Corona Virus pandemic, the Victorian Commission of Gambling and Liquor Regulation have extended the Draw dates and Publication for the 2020 Combined Raffle. **New Draw Date: 26 September 2020 at 7.15 pm. Publication of Winners Date: 30 September 2020.**

If you would like to purchase tickets for this raffle or return the ticket stubs please contact the parish office on 5996 1985.



WE ARE A CHILD SAFE PARISH. Any children, young persons and vulnerable adults have a right to feel safe. If you are concerned about any form of abuse, or believe that someone is at significant risk, you should immediately raise your concerns with one of our **Parish Safeguarding Officers:** Leonard Foo & Loretta Chin via the Parish Office on 03 5996 1985, **Diocesan Professional Standards Officer:** 03 5614 5140. If a person is in immediate danger of physical or sexual abuse: **Call 000.**



The Recently Deceased: Enid Fagan, Justina Noronha, Don James Kumarasinghe, Alwyn Pereira, Margaret Nowden, Gabriel Orinya, Margret D’Rosario

Those whose anniversary or remembrance occurs at this time: Brian Spink, Derrick Labrooy, Christopher Mills, Victor Satalich, Felix Weinman, Gladwyn Allen, George Perera, Fr William Ryan, Dean Edward Coleman VG, Fr Peter Kilduff, Bishop James Corbett, Fr Jim McGuigan

Those who are sick: Arlette Lalouette, Stanley Jacobs, Catherine Williams, Warren, Lorenzo, Gabriel, Leo Domantay, Ignazia Carcangio, Eugene D’Cruz, Glen Lippert, Olivia Newton John, Patrick Adams, Edgar Lalouette, Nella Raffa, France Bernon, Arnaud Le Merle, Janet Elliott, Margaret Fry

With respect for the privacy of the person who is ill, we can only accept requests from the ill person or their immediate family. Please advise the Parish Secretaries if you wish to be taken off the sick list.

If you would like a Mass Offered for a loved one, special occasion or other intention please contact the Parish Office at least a week prior to the date requested.

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY – Pentecost Sunday Yr A: Acts 2: 1-11; 1Cor 12:3-7,12-13; John 20:10-23

23/24 May Rosters	Lector	Extraordinary Ministers	Welcomers
Sat Vigil 6.00pm	Children’s Choir	C D’Lima	
7.30am	B Vechoorettu	M Soni	
9.00am	G Nelson	T Dam	
10.45am	J Gunn	R Holsinger	
6.00pm	J MacDonald	T Treacy	
CHILDREN’S LITURGY			
CHURCH COUNTERS			
CHURCH CLEANERS			
30/31 May Rosters	Lector	Extraordinary Ministers	Welcomers
Sat Vigil 6.00pm	Children’s Choir	R Weinman	
7.30am	B Vechoorettu	P Martin	
9.00am	R D’Mello	T Nyerenyere	
10.45am	A D’Mello	A Ortencio	
6.00pm	Y Prasetyo	A Quintal	
CHILDREN’S LITURGY			
CHURCH COUNTERS			
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GROUPS & MEETINGS

- RCIA:** [For Adults interested in becoming Catholic] Enquiries: Tina 5996 1985.
- RCIC:** For children aged 4 years and above preparing for Baptism. Sr Faustina 5996 1985.
- CATECHETICS [R.E.] CLASSES:** Each Wed at 4pm in the Hall during School Terms. Enquiries: Sr. Faustina 5996 1985
- AFRICAN CATHOLIC COMMUNITY:** 1st Sunday of the Month after 10.45am Mass in the Hall. Enq: Sisters
- THE BRIGADIERS OF LOURDES:** 2nd Saturday of the Month 2.30pm-4pm. Enq: Lorraine Dunkley 5996 8771
- DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET:** Weekdays after morning Mass & Rosary in the Church.
- SAMOAN DIVINE MERCY PRAYER GROUP:** Tuesday 6.30pm to 8.30pm in the Church. Enq: Leo 5995 6813
- CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP:** Mon 10.30am Parish Hall Ph: Jacinta 0426973026.
- PARISH CELLS COMMUNITY:** For further information contact Parish Office.
- SPIRITUAL DIRECTION:** Providence House, 135 Sladen Street. 1 hour by appointment only. Enq: Ruth 0477 800 161
- YOUTH GROUP INVIGORATE Jnr [Age 10-13] INVIGORATE Snr [Age 14-17] & AGAPE [Age 18+]:** Meet 3rd Sunday of the month 12noon to 3.00pm after 10.45am Youth Mass. Enq: Sr Mary 5996 1985
- AGAPE [Age 18-35] YOUNG ADULT GROUP:** Meet 1st & 2nd Sunday 7.15pm – 9.00pm. Enquiries Sr. Mary 5996 1985
- VOICE FOR LIFE GROUP:** Enquiries: Maria Nieuwesteeg 0409 563 864 or email voiceforlife@hotmail.com
- ST. VINCENT DE PAUL:** Vinnies Shop- 218 High Street Cranbourne. Phone: 5996 3926, **Vinnies Help Line: 1300 305 330**
- ST. VINCENT DE PAUL MEETING:** 1st & 3rd Tuesday of the Month in the Hall; Rosary 7.00pm; Meeting 7.15pm.
- CATHOLIC CARE GIPPSLAND:** For Family & Relationship Counselling phone 5941 4100 for appointments.
- GODSTART:** Post-Baptism follow-up Program. For further information contact Sr Victoria 5996 1985
- PLAYGROUP:** Tuesdays 9am-11am during school terms in St. Agatha’s Hall. Contact Sr Victoria 5996 1985
- FAMILY ROSARY GROUP:** 3rd Friday of the Month. Enquiries: Anita 5995 5545

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL Parish Pastoral Council members are a means of communication for perceived needs in the Parish, ideas, suggestions & feedback.

LIVE STREAMING MASSES: Saturday 6.00pm & Sunday 9.00am Mass, Masses 9.30am weekday are Live Streamed, for those parishioners who are home bound and unable to attend Mass. <https://www.youtube.com/StAgathasParishCranbourne>


<https://www.facebook.com/StAgathasCP>
 @StAgathasCP
 

PARISH APP: The parish has an APP that is available from the ‘APP STORE’ and the ‘GOOGLE PLAY STORE’. It contains Mass Times, Parish Calendar, Weekly Bulletin and much more! Simply search for **St Agathas** and download the APP to your mobile device.

ASCENSION OF THE LORD, 24TH MAY 2020

FIRST READING

Acts 1:1-11

In my earlier work, Theophilus, I dealt with everything Jesus had done and taught from the beginning until the day he gave his instructions to the apostles he had chosen through the Holy Spirit, and was taken up to heaven. He had shown himself alive to them after his Passion by many demonstrations: for forty days he had continued to appear to them and tell them about the kingdom of God. When he had been at table with them, he had told them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for what the Father had promised. 'It is' he had said 'what you have heard me speak about: John baptised with water but you, not many days from now, will be baptised with the Holy Spirit.' Now having met together, they asked him, 'Lord, has the time come? Are you going to restore the kingdom to Israel?' He replied, 'It is not for you to know times or dates that the Father has decided by his own authority, but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you, and then you will be my witnesses not only in Jerusalem but throughout Judaea and Samaria, and indeed to the ends of the earth.' As he said this he was lifted up while they looked on, and a cloud took him from their sight. They were still staring into the sky when suddenly two men in white were standing near them and they said, 'Why are you men from Galilee standing here looking into the sky? Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven, this same Jesus will come back in the same way as you have seen him go there.'

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord.

All peoples, clap your hands, cry to God with shouts of joy! For the Lord, the Most High, we must fear, great king over all the earth. **R.**

God goes up with shouts of joy; the Lord goes up with trumpet blast. Sing praise for God, sing praise, sing praise to our king, sing praise. **R.**

God is king of all the earth. Sing praise with all your skill. God is king over the nations; God reigns on his holy throne. **R.**

SECOND READING

1Eph1:17-23

May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, give you a spirit of wisdom and perception of what is revealed, to bring you to full knowledge of him. May he enlighten the eyes of your mind so that you can see what hope his call holds for you, what rich glories he has promised the saints will inherit and how infinitely great is the power that he has exercised for us believers. This you can tell from the strength of his power at work in Christ, when he used it to raise him from the dead and to make him sit at his right hand, in heaven, far above every Sovereignty, Authority, Power, or Domination, or any other name that can be named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. He has put all things under his feet, and made him, as the ruler of everything, the head of the Church; which is his body, the fullness of him who fills the whole creation.

The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! Go and teach all people my gospel. I am with you always, until the end of the world. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mt 28:16-20

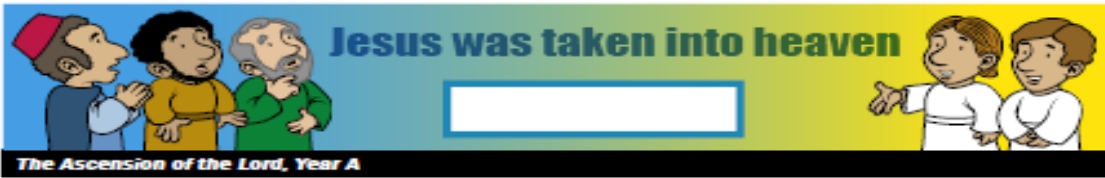
The eleven disciples set out for Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had arranged to meet them. When they saw him they fell down before him, though some hesitated. Jesus came up and spoke to them. He said, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, make disciples of all the nations; baptise them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teach them to observe all the commands I gave you. And know that I am with you always; yes, to the end of time.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

We proclaim your Death





The Ascension of the Lord, Year A

Draw Jesus ascending into heaven.



Even though Jesus ascended into heaven he is always with us. Complete the sentences below.

Jesus is with me when....

Jesus is with me when....

Jesus is with me when....



How many words can you make from the letters in the word ASCENSION?

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_____	_____
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_____	_____

My name is

Jesus was taken into heaven

Draw some of the disciples when they met Jesus for the last time before he ascended into heaven.



Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.



Unscramble the words below to find out what Jesus told his disciples before he ascended into heaven.

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